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ADVANCED RECIPE - A KNOWLEDGE BASED INFORMATION SYSTEM FOR PRODUCTION PROCESSES

IN THE CLAIMS

- 1. (Original) A method of enhancing a production recipe, comprising: annotating one or more actions in the production recipe with a desired intention for the action.
- 2. (Original) The method of claim 1 further comprising annotating the one or more actions with a desired state for the action.
- 3. (Original) A computerized method of generating a production recipe, the method comprising:

receiving knowledge from one or more sources; and generating through computer automated operations a recipe comprising a set of actions and the purpose of the underlying process.

- 4. (Original) The computerized method of claim 3 further comprising modifying the recipe.
- 5. (Original) The computerized method of claim 3 wherein the knowledge is received from a user.
- 6. (Currently amended) A computerized method for controlling a production process, the method comprising:

receiving data from multiple knowledge sources;
storing the data in a structured knowledge repository; and
modifying a recipe for a batch processing situation using the data stored in the knowledge
repository, wherein the recipe contains steps and purposes.

- 7. (Original) The computerized method of claim 6 wherein modifying the recipe further comprises using inputs from a user.
- 8. (Canceled)
- 9. (Currently amended) A computerized system comprising: a Knowledge Builder to derive from multiple knowledge sources;

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a Structured Knowledge Repository to store and organize the knowledge, wherein the Structured Knowledge Repository organizes knowledge and provides links between specific pieces of information and the functional purposes to which the knowledge can be put; and

- a Decision Maker to use the knowledge stored in the structured knowledge repository to identify one or more modifications of recipe steps.
- 10. (Original) The computerized system of claim 9 wherein the recipe is for a batch process.
- 11. (Currently amended) The computerized system of claim 9 wherein the knowledge builder extracts of Knowledge Builder is to extract knowledge from multiple sources through one or more Machine Learning techniques.
- 12. (Currently amended) The <u>computerizes computerized</u> system of claim 11 wherein the different Machine Learning techniques act independently from each other.
- 13. (Original) The computerized system of claim 12 wherein knowledge builder is scalable by adding additional the Machine Learning techniques.
- 14. (Original) The computerized system of claim 11 wherein the machine learning techniques are selected from the group consisting of: explanation-based learning, memory based learning, situation-dependent learning.
- 15. (Currently amended) The computerized system of claim 9 wherein the knowledge building component further receives Knowledge Builder is to receive feedback from a user.
- 16. (Original) The computerized system of claim 9 wherein the knowledge builder is scalable to incorporate new knowledge.
- 17. (Original) The computerized system of claim 9 wherein the knowledge builder is scalable to incorporate new knowledge extraction techniques.
- 18. (Original) The computerized system of claim 9 wherein the structured knowledge repository uses abstraction-decomposition space (ADS) techniques.

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19. (Canceled)

- 20. (Currently amended) The computerized system of claim 9 wherein the Decision Maker assembles is to assemble the knowledge into an answer to a query.
- 21. (Original) The computerized system of claim 20 wherein the answer to the query is in the form of a recipe modification that meets desired goals and constraints.
- 22. (Currently amended) The computerized system of claim 9 wherein the decision maker displays Decision Maker is to display knowledge to a user.
- 23. (Original) A computer-readable medium having computer-executable instructions for a method of managing a production process, the method comprising:

receiving one or more desired purposes for the production process; receiving a recipe; and

generating an advanced recipe comprising a set of actions and the purpose of the underlying process.

- 24. (Currently amended) The computer-readable computer-readable medium of claim 22, wherein the method further comprises modifying the advanced recipe in response to a user.
- 25. (New) A system comprising:
- a Knowledge Builder to extract a number of knowledge types from a number of sources, wherein one of the number of sources is a source based on a symbolic learning approach to extract reasons for an outcome of a step of a recipe and wherein a different one of the number of sources is a source based on an empirical approach to extract results based on what happened from a step of a recipe;
- a Structured Knowledge Repository to organize and store the number of knowledge types from the number of sources in a scaffolding structure, wherein an abstraction-decomposition technique is used to organize the number of knowledge types based on an analysis of a physical domain in which the steps of the recipe are executed and how functional purposes are to be achieved within constraints provided by the physical domain; and

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a Decision Maker to use the knowledge stored in the structured knowledge repository to identify one or more modifications of steps of the recipe.

- 26. (New) The system of claim 25, wherein the symbolic learning approach includes an explanation-based learning approach.
- 27. (New) The system of claim 25, wherein the empirical approach includes a memory based learning approach.
- 28. (New) The system of claim 25, wherein the number of sources are independent of each other.